

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1888.
HOME NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

TRAINS PASS SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:
MAIL. MAIL.
Going South: 8:15 A. M. and 9:10 P. M.
Going North: 9:15 A. M. and 8:05 P. M.

T. B. & H.
East Bound: 9:30 A. M. and 9:10 P. M.
West Bound: 8:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

ARRIVES AND LEAVES LOCKHART:
East Bound: 10:50 A. M. and 10:30 P. M.
West Bound: 6:40 A. M. and 6:25 P. M.

Two Copies for \$3.50.
Inasmuch as many persons desire to send copies abroad, and by way of encouragement we will send two copies of the Free Press at \$3.50—cash in advance.

Persons not subscribers who may at any time receive copies of the Free Press, will please understand that they are sent simply as samples, in the hope that the parties addressed may like it well enough to favor us with their subscription.

The Delinquent Tax List appears in this issue. It is not so large as was reasonably to have been anticipated considering the hard times.

New York Seed potatoes at McAllister's.
Corrugated and flat iron roofing at low figures. J. H. Gary.

Fresh Garden Seeds, guaranteed, at Raynolds & Daniels.
Call and settle accounts with McAllister.

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Oldest firm in the city. S. F. McAllister.

Geo. W. Knight, Jeweler, east side the Plaza, San Marcos, Tex. n293

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Old reliable to the front in quality and prices of goods. S. F. McAllister.

Full weights and full count at McAllister's.
FRESH GARDEN SEEDS. LAWSON & BASS.

All groceries low for cash at McAllister's.
A nice line of lace curtains and ornate poles brass trimmed just received. J. W. Nance.

The World Renowned Ester Organ.
On easy terms. CHARTERS & KNIGHT.

One thousand dollars to loan in bulk or small sums. Easy terms. Apply at Judge Sterling Fisher's office, San Marcos. n12-2t

MILBURN.
Mrs. Richardson, determined to close out her present stock, has lots from 10 cents up, trimmings, etc., all very cheap, to make room for spring purchases.

Going Right Along.
Thomas Taylor has again settled down to business at his old stand, where everything goes on large scale for the winter. Apply to San Marcos. Nov. 3-3m.

New Firm.
Messrs. Peyton Taylor and C. W. Andrews Sen., have gone into business under the name and style of Taylor & Andrews, and have rented Capt. Ellison's store room, near the Wood Building and Mrs. Taylor will use the rear section for a dining room for her patrons whether local or transient.

Fresh Garden Seeds for sale at J. A. Beall's Drug Store in bulk, from one ounce to a pound, not the unreliable that are sold on Commission.

The citizens of San Marcos and surrounding country are invited to call and make the acquaintance of the St. Leonard Hotel, when they have business in San Antonio. No where in Texas can nicer accommodation, better fare, or more home comfort be found, for \$1.50 per day. We have tried it and advise others to do the same.

Our Special Clubbing and Premium Lists.
We sum up together some of our best propositions, all of which are only available to new subscribers, or such old ones as pay up back dues and in advance for another year.

1. We club the Weekly Fort Worth Gazette and the Free Press both at \$2.50.
2. The New York Weekly World and Free Press, with a book premium, all for \$2.50. See full particulars in our advertising columns.

3. The Weekly National Republican, Washington, D. C., and the Free Press both for \$2.40. The Washington paper will give the proceedings of Congress and other matters of interest about the National capital.

4. Demorest's Magazine and the Free Press at \$3.50 for both. Demorest is the ladies favorite, and with it a strong advocate of temperance. See advertisement.

5. The California Weekly News and Free Press at \$3 a year for both.

6. The Detroit Free Press and the San Marcos Free Press at the wonderfully low price of \$2.75 for both.

7. Wonderfully liberal book premiums to subscribers to the Free Press. See advertisement headed "Standard and Popular Works."

See also our regular Clubbing List for 1888. Make your selection from it, or if any other publication not included in it, send report to this office, where you can secure the lowest rates in connection with the Free Press.

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Wedding Bells.

Assembled in the beautifully decorated parlors of Mr. and Mrs. R. Prescott were the elite of San Marcos to witness the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mamie Peoples to Mr. N. A. Morrow, of Round Rock, Tex. Mr. Jordan, of Lockhart, officiating.

Cupid has been quite busy in our little city this season and, among his fairest victims we find Miss Mamie Peoples. Though so young she has made many hearts respond to the chords of love, and we all present her to the one of her choice as the sweetest flower that bloomed in our midst. Mr. Morrow is a talented young telegraph operator of Round Rock, who, though a stranger to us, left the impression of being an elegant gentleman.

The bride wore a lovely, bronze, green silk with amber beaded trimmings, in her hair a white ostrich tip combined with natural flowers, at her throat she wore a calaly, fit emblem of purity.

After the usual congratulations were invited into supper. We must acknowledge the table to have been the most elegant we have ever seen in San Marcos. The crowning feature was a miniature lake forming the center piece, reflecting numbers of lovely embossed cakes and fruits of every kind. Quite a novel idea was that of a card at each plate with "Happy New Year" engraved in gold, the work of the bride; this was presented as a souvenir to the guests. Our charming hostess, Mrs. Prescott, merits the applause of all for grand success.

The presents were useful and beautiful. A watch and chain, by the groom; silver casket, Mr. Henry Peoples; lamp stand, Mrs. R. Payton, Milligan, Texas; silver pickle stand, Miss May Beck; silver butter dish and knife, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Crosby; fish; silver spoon holder, Master Henry Morrow; La Grange, Texas; pair of fruit stands, Mrs. V. Niblett, Navasota; photo holder, Miss Fannie Barbee; cologne stand and silk crocheted money purse, Miss Fannie McAllister; pair of vases, Mrs. Fullmore, San Antonio; hand painted banter, Mrs. Steel, San Antonio; finger bowl, Mrs. Barbee and son; handkerchief holder, Jamie Young; pair of hand painted glass panels, Miss Jennie Iglehart; washstand splasher, Miss Minnie Barbee; glass butter dish, Mrs. McAllister; plush pin cushion, Miss Fannie Iglehart; hand painted plaque on easel, Miss J. E. Allen; dressing case, Miss Pearl Hardy; velvet rug, Mr. W. H. Nance; water set, Messrs G. A. Franklin and J. W. Woods; set of silver knives and forks, D. Glover; plush visiting card cards, Miss Lizzie Williamson, San Marcos; Bohemian glass pickle stand and napkin rings, Mr. Grant, Round Rock, individual casket, Mr. Bob Leavelle and sister, San Marcos.

We beg leave to tender to the young hands and his blushing bride our heartfelt wishes for a long life of usefulness and happiness. Together may they share the sunshine of life and together its tears, strong in that mutual faith which ever brightens the lives of those who love truly and well.

A FRIEND.

Death of Mr. W. H. Barbee—Resolutions of Respect.

W. H. Barbee, inspector of hides and animals for this county, died at his residence near Kyle on the 25th ult. In his death, Hays county lost one of her best and most highly respected citizens. He leaves a wife and two little children besides a large number of friends and relatives to mourn his untimely death. To them we extend our deepest sympathy in this their supreme hour of grief. In this connection, by request, we give place to the following resolutions adopted at a meeting on the 26th, of the Faculty of the Kyle Seminary, viz: W. W. James, M. C. McGee, Sara R. Mitchell, Pierce Dorris, and E. Bell Harrison.

Resolved, that while we bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father, we have lost a dear and personal friend, who has been a source of comfort and support to the Board of Trustees, a useful member; that the cause of education and the beloved secretary of the Board of Trustees of this institution, W. H. Barbee, therefore be it

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We were present at the wedding at Prescott's on Tuesday evening, and greatly enjoyed the occasion, which seemed like a return to old times. Our readers are indebted to a lady friend for the write up of the affair which appears elsewhere. This is as it should be. Without hesitation we yield the palm to the accomplished lady writers on topics which are their special enthusiasm such as weddings, babies, dress, etc. Appropos, those intending marriage and desiring the best article in the way of a notice would better suit themselves and very much oblige us, by procuring the same from the pen of some of our gifted lady writers.

The vital importance of a new school house adapted to the scholastic population of our town, is so plain that we learn that some further action is contemplated at an early day. The Council having "died" on the question of issuing bonds for the purpose of building, it is now proposed to ask them to order an election of the tax-payers of the corporation to settle the question. The right, we believe, is conceded on all hands. We hope to have an expression through our columns.

PERSONAL.

The present city clerk is Mr. Phil Springer. A good selection.

Dr. Dailey (dentist) is visiting at this place.

Rev. Mr. Beverly and daughter have gone to house-keeping in Capt. Ellison's home.

Mr. McNaughton has moved his residence to Prof. Richardson's handsome place near the public school house.

San Marcos is being distinguished for her young men. Messrs. East, White, and Cook, Wis. Goodspeed and Knight comprise a portion of the elite.

The poetic tribute to the Bachelors' Club in last week's Times must have been read with peculiar interest by the members and their friends.

Miss Fattie Coleman, we learn, made a hasty visit to our town the first of the week enroute from her sojourn out west to her home in Austin.

T. H. Stone, a prominent citizen of Martindale, was seen at last week.

His visit is like those of the angels as described by the poet.

We regret to hear, through Judge Fisher, of the death of the little son of Rev. Mr. DuBois. We deeply sympathize with the parents.

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Dripping Springs.

The past few days have given us a forecast of summer, and the farmers have been pushing their plows with might and main. It is said that the ground has not been in such good shape for several years past.

To-night (Saturday) it clouds up as though it contained rain. We will be glad to see the fact of a good soaking rain, for very few of the springs are running yet, although the ground is wet to the depth of several feet.

Major Cook, whose illness I mentioned in a previous letter, passed from our midst on Thursday 26th inst. Mr. Cook had been in this locality but a short time, previous to which he had been in partnership with A. L. Teagarden, of Austin. He was buried with Masonic honors.

On Friday and Saturday the road hands were out and did some good work on the D. S. gully. It is remarkable what an amount of labor and money has been put in that hole, and it is still a bad place on the road. It is a very good example of the fruitlessness of the expenditure of labor and money, not properly directed.

With the money and one-tenth, yes, one-twentieth the labor expended on the crossing in the last few years, a first-class trestle work bridge could have been thrown from one bank to the other which would have given a plane instead of a hill to pull over.

There was a very lively entertainment at Mr. Crow's, on Millstreet, last Wednesday night at which dancing and refreshments were the order of the day.

Some of our neighbors have already planted Irish potatoes and we have heard a demand for onion sets. It may be time to plant both but we do not believe winter has left us yet. We wish it had.

The school ran the table about on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Maybe some weather wise sage can prognosticate from this whether the spring will be late or not.

Mr. George Marshall, P. M. at D. S., has had established himself and the letter of new quarters and has a shelf full of glass jars which appeal to the sweet taste of the young ladies. He proposes to tickle the palates as well as the minds of those who come in.

I think I am not previously mentioned that P. B. is at last blessed with a daily mail.

A certain young lady and gentleman are to be married "when the leaves begin to fall."

On Dix.

Martindale.

At last we have some genuine machine and our little village is no longer a look of prosperity, while its fields are dotted with plows and planters.

Our school has revived from its temporary relapse during the cold weather, and each morning seventy happy, earnest children may be seen trudging on their way to school. Its zealous patrons and trustful acquaintances were pleased to make his acquaintance. As well as seen he has assumed the role of the Free Press local correspondent.

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Good Thoughts and Sound Ideas From a Farmer.

ED. FREE PRESS.—As the Free Press is friendly to the interests of the farmers, we wish to make it the medium through which to set forth some views that seem to our mind of more immediate importance to the tillers of the soil than many of the views entertained by some of the brotherhood. There is a belief entertained by some that if we can control factories, mercantile interests, etc., our success is sure. This we think impracticable at present.

In the constitution and bylaws of the Farmers' Alliance we find the first section of the resolutions as follows, to-wit:

"To labor for the education of the agricultural classes, in the science of economical government, in a strictly non-partisan spirit." And section third: "To develop a better state mentally, morally, socially and financially." In reading the above quotations we have for our leading thought the education of that faculty called the mind. Indeed, this is the instrument that affects the world. "We must educate! we must educate! or we must perish by our own prosperity," said a distinguished statesman. "If we do not, short will be our race from the cradle to the grave. If in our haste to be rich and mighty we outrun our literary and religious institutions, they will never overtake us, or only come up after the battle of liberty is fought and lost, as spoils to grace the victory, and as resources of inexorable despotism for the perpetuity of our bondage."

We have here before us a commanding admonition, foretelling our sad destiny if we neglect the cultivation of the mind in pursuit of the lesser essentials. But the question arises, how are we to spare the means? We answer, by establishing a poor man's school. This may seem degrading in the eyes of a rich man's son, but the poor girl or boy who has not the fifteen dollars to pay for board, five dollars to pay for music, five dollars for art and many other extras, is glad to do manual labor to make it partly self-sustaining. We would have in this school practical farming and mechanism practiced in connection with literature.

In view of the foregoing could the Farmer's Alliance contemplate and establish a grander enterprise than a Farmer's Alliance school where their sons and daughters may have facilities for attaining a liberal education?

If it be not presumptuous in us, we would suggest to the brotherhood and the farmers in general that we spend as little money in 1888 as possible. Let every spare dollar be utilized in securing homes and building comfortable dwellings and barns thereon. Let us get ourselves in a shape that they may have a few leisure hours for the benefit of the inner man.

Again, we would suggest, quit raising cotton to buy every mouthful you eat. Set apart one acre of ground, call it your "pot ground," or garden, as you like. Plant something of everything that is good to eat. Do not neglect it for the sake of a grassy cotton patch, cotton can wait. Let us all play going to school and after awhile we will develop ourselves into a business set of farmers, for it takes business men to succeed in anything.

J. T. D.

The whooping cough is prevalent.

See advertisement of Capt. Hinkle of his San Marcos property for sale. Revival in progress at the Methodist Church. The Council met last night but no business of importance was transacted.

Beware of Scrofula

Scrofula is probably more general than any other disease. It is insidious in character, and manifests itself in running sores, pustular eruptions, boils, swellings, enlarged joints, abscesses, sore eyes, etc. Hood's Sarsaparilla expels all trace of scrofula from the blood, leaving it pure, enriched, and healthy. "I was severely afflicted with scrofula, and over a year had two running sores on my neck. Took five bottles Hood's Sarsaparilla, and am cured." C. E. LOVELL, Lowell, Mass. C. A. Arnold, Arnold, Me., had scrofulous sores for seven years, spring and fall. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured him.

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